Loan vis-a-vis production in agriculture sector

†1954. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether loan amount given to agriculture sector during the last years is constantly being increased;

(b) if so, the percentage of increase in such loan amount provided to agriculture sector during each year of the last three years;

(c) whether there has been no increase in agricultural production during consecutive years despite making or increasing in availability of loan; and

(d) if so, the percentage of increase in agricultural production recorded during each year, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Details of agriculture credit flow during last three years is as under:—

(Rs. in Crore)

Year	Ground Level Credit	Growth Rate (%)
2003-04	86,981	25
2004-05	125,309	44
2005-06	180,486	44

(c) and (d) The required details with regard to major areas of agricultural production are given below as statement.

Statement

Major areas of agricultural production

Major areas of agricultural production	2003-2004 Total Production	Annual increase/ decrease in%	2004-2005 Total Production	Annual increase/ decrease in%	2005-2006 Total Producton	Annual increase/ decrease in%
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Foodgrains*	213.19	22.0	198.36	-7.0 -	208.59	5.2
Oilseeds**	251.86	69.7	243.54	3.3	279.79	14.9

†Originai notice of the question was received in Hindi.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Cotton#	137.29	59.2	164.29	19.7	184.99	126
Jute$	102.52	-0.2	93.99	-8.3	9970	61
Mesta$	9.21	-8.1	8.73	-5.2	8.70	-0.3
Sugarcane**	2338.61	-18.6	2370.88	1.4	2811.72	18.6

* Million Tonnes
** Lakh Tonnes
# Lakh bales of 170 kg. each
$ Lakh bales of 180 kg. each
Source: Directorate of Economics & Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India.

Fishery harbours in Kerala

1955. SHRI K.E. ISMAIL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Kerala has submitted four separate projects and schemes for constructing fishery harbours at Thalai in Kannur district, Kasargod in Kasargod district, Chettuvai in Thrissur district and Cheruvathur in Kasargod district;

(b) if so, the details of each project and the financial implication of these projects;

(c) the decision of the Central Government to provide sanction for these schemes; and

(d) if sanctioned, the details of the expenses to be involved, and to what extent the Central assistance would be made available?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The Union Ministry of Agriculture has accorded approval to the proposal of Government of Kerala for construction of fishing harbour at Thalai in Kannur district amounting to Rs. 1925.74 lakhs under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme and the Central Government will bear 50% capital cost of the project.